



CITY OF MIAMI SPRINGS, FLORIDA

CITY CLERK'S SUMMARY OF COUNCIL ACTIONS
Regular Meeting of Monday, November 8, 2010 - 7:00 p.m. – Council Chambers

AGENDA

<u>ITEM #</u>	<u>SUBJECT</u>	<u>ACTION TAKEN</u>
1.	Call to Order/Roll Call	All present. The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m.
2.	Invocation	Offered by Mayor Bain.
	Salute to the Flag	The audience participated.
3.	Awards & Presentations	
3A)	Proclamation	Mayor Bain proclaimed November 13, 2010 as “Alzheimer’s Association Miami-Dade Memory Walk Day 2010” and presented it to Bill Sussman of the Alzheimer’s Association.
4.	Open Forum:	
	Appreciation	Nadim Tabsch of 633 South Drive appeared before Council to thank them and the Administration for helping to identify and correct a major safety issue at the Gray Construction site next to his house that he reported at the last meeting.
	General Election	Michael Gavila of 684 Morningside Drive said that signs cannot be held at the Community Center during the upcoming General Election on April 5, 2011 due to the 100-foot restriction. He asked Council to consider holding the election at the Golf and Country Club the same as two years ago.

- 4) Tree Ordinance
- Eric Richey of 224 Reinette Drive, Chairman of the Board of Parks and Parkways, stated that there was an issue as to what is a fruit tree. He stated that every tree is considered a fruit tree unless it is designated otherwise. The Board's recommendation is to change the ordinance back to the way it was, excluding mango and avocado trees, while all other fruit trees would be protected.
- Library Renovation
- Carl Malek of 172 Curtiss Parkway asked about the status of the Library renovation.
- City Manager Borgmann said that the renovation is in the final stages.
- Mayor Bain added that the scheduled completion date is December 2010.
- Springview Elementary Swale
- Yandro Hernandez of 449 Swallow Drive, #21, expressed his concern about a problem at Springview Elementary School where the buses drop off the children and the area becomes muddy when it rains. He was told by parents and Staff that the County or City would install gravel to help the situation, but nothing has been done. He distributed photographs showing the area in need of repair.
- The Administration will come back with a recommendation for the next meeting.
- Debris
- Beatriz Obermann of 449 Swallow Drive, #23, complained about the yard man who places debris on the corner of Swallow Drive and North Royal Poinciana. She will submit photographs of the debris.

5. Approval of Council Minutes

- 5A) 10/25/2010 Regular Meeting Minutes of the October 25, 2010 Regular Meeting were **approved as written.**
Motion: Councilman Best
Second: Councilman Espino
Voice Vote: 5-0

6. Reports from Boards & Commissions

- 6A) Education Advisory Board Minutes of the October 19, 2010 Education Advisory Board meeting were received for information without comment.
- 6B) Zoning and Planning Board Cancellation Notice of the November 1, 2010 Zoning and Planning Board meeting was received for information without comment.
- 6C) Code Enforcement Board Minutes of the November 2, 2010 Code Enforcement Board meeting were received for information without comment.
- 6D) Architectural Review Board Cancellation Notice of the November 3, 2010 Architectural Review Board meeting was received for information without comment.
- 6E) Code Review Board Cancellation Notice of the October 28, 2010 Code Review Board meeting was received for information without comment.
- 6F) Board of Adjustment Council **approved** the actions taken by the Board of Adjustment at their meeting of November 1, 2010, subject to the ten-day appeal period.
Motion: Councilman Espino
Second: Councilman Lob
Vote: 5-0

7. Public Hearings:

7A) Second Reading
Ordinance No. 999-2010

On second reading, Council **adopted** an ordinance amending Code of Ordinance Section 150-016 (G), Off-Street Parking Requirements for single family residential and duplex zoning districts; by eliminating the specific provisions related to the sizes of permitted driveways on residential building sites; specifying the conditions and restrictions for allowing two driveways on each site.

Motion: Councilman Lob

Second: Vice Mayor Ator

Vote: 5-0

7B) Second Reading
Ordinance No. 1000-2010

Council **amended** the ordinance amending Code of Ordinance Section 150-030, Sign Regulations; by clarifying the rules and regulations related to residential real estate open house directional signs contained in Subsection 150-030(J); expanding the nonresidential public street locations for the placement of residential real estate open house directional signs contained in Subsection 150-030(B) and Figure 1.

The amended ordinance will come back for a second “second” reading, including a section for Talking house signs.

8. Consent Agenda:

(All items simultaneously approved)

8A) City Attorney’s Invoice

Council **approved** payment of the City Attorney’s invoice for October 2010 in the amount of \$11,927.25.

Motion: Vice Mayor Ator

Second: Councilman Best

Vote: 5-0

- 8B) South Florida Maintenance:
Street Sweeping
- Council **awarded** a contract to South Florida Maintenance, the lowest responsible bidder, in the amount of \$21,528.00, for street sweeping, twice a week, pursuant to Section 31.11 (C) (2) of the City Code, utilizing Citizens Independent Transportation Trust Funds.
Motion: Vice Mayor Ator
Second: Councilman Best
Vote: 5-0
- 8C) Labor Services for Golf Course
Personnel – Greens Grade
- Council **awarded** a bid for Golf Course personnel labor services to Greens Grade Services Inc., utilizing City of Coral Gables Bid # IFB 2007-10-22 in the amount not to exceed \$120,000.00, “on an as needed basis”, pursuant to Section 31.11 (E) (5) of the City Code.
Motion: Vice Mayor Ator
Second: Councilman Best
Vote: 5-0
- 8D) H & R Paving, Inc. –
Bus Bay Installation
- Council **approved** an expenditure of \$18,529.00 to H & R Paving, Inc., utilizing SE FL Governmental Purchasing Group Co-Op Bid # 09-99, as provided in Section 31.11 (E) (5) of the City Code for paving of Nahkoda Drive from North Royal Poinciana Boulevard to Canal Street for bus bay installation, relocated from Canal Street, utilizing Citizens Independent Transportation Trust Funds.
Motion: Vice Mayor Ator
Second: Councilman Best
Vote: 5-0

8E) H & R Paving, Inc. – Repair of City Roadways Council **approved** an expenditure of \$66,200.80 for H & R Paving, Inc., utilizing SE FL Governmental Purchasing Group Co-Op Bid # 09-99, as provided in Section 31.11 (E) (5) of the City Code to repair City roadways, utilizing Citizens Independent Transportation Trust Funds.
Motion: Vice Mayor Ator
Second: Councilman Best
Vote: 5-0

9. Old Business:

9A) Appointments to Advisory Boards Mayor Bain **re-appointed** Kathy Fleischman to the Architectural Review Board for a full 2-year term ending on October 31, 2012.

Councilman Best (Group I) **re-appointed** Bob Calvert to the Architectural Review Board for a full 2-year term ending on October 31, 2012.

9B) Revitalization Advisory Committee Council **approved** the creation of an Ad-hoc committee of five individuals appointed by Council, with a board appointed Chairman and liaisons representing the City and the Chamber of Commerce, with duties and responsibilities outlined in Section 2 of the resolution presented by Calvin Giordano & Associates.
Motion: Councilman Espino
Second: Vice Mayor Ator
Vice Mayor Ator: “aye”
Councilman Best: “no”
Councilman Espino: “aye”
Councilman Lob: “aye”
Mayor Bain: “no”
Vote: 3-2

- 9C) Revisions to Code §150-013 – Residential Plantings, Fences and Walls
 Council **directed** the Administration to **leave the Code as it is.**
- 9D) Sanitation Delinquency
 Council **directed** the Administration to seek quotes from collection agencies to assist in the collection of delinquent sanitation accounts of \$500.00 and over and to come back with an update of the account balances.
Motion: Councilman Best
Second: Councilman Lob
Vote: 5-0
- 9E) Work Order – Calvin, Giordano & Associates, Inc.
 Council **approved** Work Order No. 2 – Commercial Revitalization Aesthetic and Theme Package as follows:

Implementation of way-finding and signage program:
 Motion: Councilman Espino
 Second: Vice Mayor Ator
 Vote: 5-0

Color Palette:
 Motion: Councilman Espino
 Second: Vice Mayor Ator
 Vote: 5-0

Building Façade Program/Street and Pedestrian Scale Lighting:
 Motion: Vice Mayor Ator
 Second: Councilman Lob
 Vote: 5-0
- 9F) Shingle Roofs
 Council **directed** the City Attorney to draft an ordinance allowing the use of approved asphalt shingles, in addition to the existing tile roofs, with a two-year sunset provision.
Motion: Councilman Best
Second: Councilman Lob
Vote: 5-0

10. New Business:

- 10A) Resolution No. 2010-3496 Council **adopted** a resolution requesting the indefinite deferral of the County’s consideration of the City’s pending annexation application; authorizing a process to request the future withdrawal of the requested indefinite deferral.
Motion: Councilman Lob
Second: Councilman Espino
Vote: 5-0
- 10B) Tree Ordinance Status Update By consensus, Council **directed** the City Attorney to draft an ordinance amending Section 54-06 of the tree ordinance exempting mango and avocado trees from the permit, relocation, replacement and mitigation requirements.
- 10C) “Take Stock in Children” Program City Manager Borgmann **presented** a short status report.
- 10D) Purchase of RecTrac System:
Recreation Department Council **approved** an expenditure in an amount not to exceed \$29,783 to Vermont Systems for a RecTrac with Photo ID System for the Recreation Department, as a sole source provider, Pursuant to Section 31.11 (E) (6) (c) of the City Code.
Motion: Councilman Best
Second: Councilman Lob
Vote: 5-0

Council **requested** an agenda item to review additional items available with the system.
- 10E) Event at Sosa Theater Council **approved** the use of the Rebeca Sosa Theatre with the provision that the organizer secures the proper licenses, permits and insurance
Motion: Councilman Espino
Second: Councilman Lob
Vote: 5-0

- 10F) Code Revisions – Application for Building Permits – Code §151.04 **By consensus**, Council **directed** the City Attorney to re-write the Code to update the list of work that requires a permit, according to the Florida Building Code.
- 10G) Code Revisions – Recreational Vehicles Item **tabled**, pending additional information from the Code Compliance Department.
- 10H) Community Summit Discussed under Reports & Recommendations.
11. **Other Business:** None
12. **Reports & Recommendations:**
- 12A) **City Attorney** None
- 12B) **City Manager**
- Veteran’s Day City Manager Borgmann reminded everyone that City Hall would be closed on Thursday, November 11th in recognition of Veteran’s Day.
- Vacation City Manager Borgmann reported that he would be on vacation on Friday, November 12th.
- Red Light Cameras City Manager Borgmann met with the red light camera representatives. If the City does not get the revenue from the violations, the County will install the cameras and get the revenue for approximately ten locations on N. W. 36th Street and one at LeJeune Road and Royal Poinciana. There does not seem to be an issue on East Drive and South Royal Poinciana Boulevard or Westward Drive. The County might want the eastbound cameras. There is no charge for the cameras up front because a percentage of the fines are received by the State and the camera company.

12B)	Red Light Cameras (Continued)	City Manager Borgmann will invite the company representative to make a presentation at a future meeting.
	Garbage Container Attachment	City Manager Borgmann displayed an attachment for the garbage containers that is placed on the outside of the container when it contains garbage and inside the can if there is no garbage. As the trucks go by, this would identify the empty cans and save the use of the hydraulic arms on the sanitation trucks. A test will be conducted on 200 houses to see how it works out before going city-wide. There will be a letter sent out notifying the residents.
	Promotion	Chief of Police Peter G. Baan announced the promotion of Officer Dan Kelly to Sergeant.
	Blood Mobile	City Manager Borgmann announced that the Blood Mobile will conduct a blood drive at City Hall on Thursday, November 18 th from 10:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
	5K Turkey Trot	City Manager Borgmann reported that the Recreation Department will be hosting the First Annual 5K Turkey Trot Run starting at 8:00 a.m. at the Community Center on Saturday, November 13 th .
	League of Cities Turkeys	<p>Mayor Bain inquired if there was any notification from the Miami-Dade County League of Cities on the turkeys this year.</p> <p>City Manager Borgmann explained that he normally hears from Commissioner Sosa's office, but he had not received any information.</p> <p>The Mayor asked the Administration to determine how much it would cost to supply turkeys for the Senior Center and bring back the information to Council at the November 22nd meeting.</p>

12C)

City Council

Community Summit

Councilman Espino reported that there were more than twenty-five community leaders attending the Summit. The agenda included discussion on problem sharing, solutions and City support. His report included detailed comments about the problems and some of the solutions that the leaders will take on themselves, including regular collaboration, one large event per year and new events.

Councilman Espino explained that there was a consensus for four separate items, including the creation of an organizational directory and a community calendar on the website. The community calendar would promote all events in the City and ensure that there would not be a conflict of events. Another issue that was raised was the appointment of a community liaison who would be a contact person that would be a conduit for collaboration and would provide recommendations and instructions for events. These duties could be added to an employee's existing responsibilities or result in the creation of another position. The City lacks a Public Relations Officer that would brand, market and promote Miami Springs. There was also a request to replace the old marquee with a digital bulletin board that could be updated easily to advertise more events.

Councilman Espino stated that minor adjustments could be made to the website in order to accommodate the first two requests for the community calendar and organization directory.

Councilman Lob agreed with Councilman Espino that the website information is a great idea and it would provide a single point of reference to inform the public of community events.

12C)	Community Summit (Continued)	<p>Assistant City Manager Gorland estimated that an electronic marquee could cost as much as \$50,000.</p> <p>Councilman Best applauds Councilman Espino for the Community Summit because communication is important to the community.</p>
	Guest Speaker	<p>Councilman Best spoke about Civics and Local Government at Doral Middle School, which was an interesting experience. The City Attorney had said that 76% of the electors vote in a presidential election, while there is more control in a local municipal election. This brought attention to the kids about communicating with local government officials.</p>
	Resolution	<p>Councilman Best received information from Mayor Joy Cooper, President of the Florida League of Cities, asking the cities to consider adopting resolutions in regard to support for military personnel. He will provide the information so that an agenda item can be scheduled for the next meeting.</p>
	Movie Night	<p>Vice Mayor Ator distributed flyers announcing All Angels Movie Night at 7:00 p.m. on Friday, November 19th featuring “Toy Story 3” and “The Wiz”. She offered to accept suggestions for future Movie Night presentations.</p>
	Good Night	<p>Councilman Lob wished everyone a good night.</p>
	Handicap Ramp	<p>Mayor Bain inquired about the status of the handicap ramp on the Circle.</p> <p>The City Manager explained that the structural drawings were submitted for review by the structural inspector and the job should be finished before the holidays.</p>

- 12C) Council Meetings Mayor Bain asked about the December Council meeting dates.
- City Manager Borgmann responded that a meeting is scheduled for December 13th and normally the second meeting in December is cancelled.
- District Boundary Regulations Mayor Bain said that he wants to move forward with the district boundary regulations for N. W. 36th Street, which could be scheduled for the December meeting.
- Construction Debris Mayor Bain complimented the City Manager and Staff for the team effort in cleaning the construction debris on South Drive.
- 13. Adjourn** Meeting adjourned at 10:42 p.m.